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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON
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1. Attached hereto are two forms used by the FBI upon application for employment and after being appointed in the Bureau. The third is a "pledge" which the Bureau drew up as a guide for use by law enforcement agencies such as City and County Police, Sheriffs Offices, etc.

2. The Director asked Sam Papich for these forms with the thought in mind of having them checked against our Security Oath. After review, Mr. Dulles asked that they be sent to you for further perusal together with our Security Agreement, for comment as to whether there is any way in which we can prevent people who leave the Agency from using knowledge gained through the period they were employed for personal benefit or otherwise.

3. As a practical matter, Sam Papich informed me that so far the Bureau has been unable to prevent its former employees from talking or writing about experiences as a result of their activities. He did say, however, that in those instances where these employees "write or talk", they send an agent by to see the culprit to remind him of his oath and to keep his mouth shut. So far it has been practically impossible to prosecute, since to "prove intent" is a tough one.

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